

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE.

No. 500

MAJORITY REPORT.

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVE, to amend chapter 194 of the Resolves of 1893 as amended by chapter 155 of the Resolves of 1905, relating to industrial exhibits of the Maine State Agricultural Society.

Resolved, That Chapter 194 of the resolves of 1893, as
2 amended by chapter 155 of the resolves of 1905, is hereby
3 amended by striking out the words "one thousand five hun-
4 dred" in the first line of said resolve of 1905 and inserting
5 instead thereof the words 'two thousand,' so that said chap-
6 ter, as amended, shall read as follows:

Resolved, That the sum of one thousand dollars be and
8 hereby is appropriated to the Maine State Fair Agricultural
9 Society in addition to the sum heretofore appropriated for
10 the purpose of encouraging the exhibition of the industrial
11 products of Maine, as well as increasing the premiums in

12 stock and agricultural classes, and also to provide further
13 for pomological exhibits, apples, pears, plums, grapes, and
14 canned goods; and said society may draw said appropria-
15 tion from the State treasury upon its voucher that such
16 amount has been paid out each year for said purposes.'

STATEMENT OF FACTS.

Under the most favorable circumstances this society would be able to receive money enough to pay all its legitimate bills, and for the year 1908, when it was favored with 4 days of excellent weather, the society was able to reduce its debt of approximately \$24,000 about \$2500.

Whereas in 1907 they had three rainy days during its exhibit, it ran behind about \$5000.

Experience shows conclusively that in order to pay the interest on its debt, or reduce it to any extent, taking chances on the weather one way or the other, it is necessary to have a larger stipend from the State than heretofore provided.

As an item showing what the society does with its money, may be stated that the society's books show that in the year 1907 receipts from the stock entries was about \$400, and the same for 1908, whereas the premiums paid on this same stock amounted to nearly \$5000 each year.

NEW DRAFT.

RESOLVE, to amend Chapter one hundred ninety-four of the Resolves of eighteen hundred ninety-three, as amended by Chapter one hundred fifty-five of the Resolves of nineteen hundred and five, relating to industrial exhibits of the Maine State Agricultural Society.

Resolved, That Chapter one hundred ninety-four of the 2 resolves of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, as amended 3 by Chapter one hundred fifty-five of the Resolves of nine- 4 teen hundred and five, is hereby amended by striking out 5 the words "one thousand five hundred" in the first line of 6 said resolve and inserting instead thereof the words 'one 7 thousand;' by inserting the word 'annually' after the word 8 "appropriated" in the second line; and by striking out the 9 words "from the State treasury" in the eighth and ninth 10 lines; so that said chapter as amended shall read as follows:

Resolved, That the sum of one thousand dollars be and 12 hereby is appropriated annually to the Maine State Fair 13 Agricultural Society in addition to the sum heretofore ap- 14 propriated for the purpose of encouraging the exhibition of 15 the industrial products of Maine, as well as increasing the 16 premiums in stock and agricultural classes, and also to 17 provide further for pomological exhibits, apples, pears,

18 plums, grapes and canned goods ; and said society may draw
19 said appropriation upon its voucher that such amount has
20 been paid out each year for said purposes.'

STATE OF MAINE.

The Committee on Agriculture to which was referred the Bill, entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 194 of the Resolves of 1893 as amended by Chapter 155 of Resolves of 1905, relating to Industrial Exhibits of the Maine State Agricultural Society" have had the same under consideration and ask leave to report the same in a new draft, under the title of "An Act to amend Chapter 194 of the Resolves of 1893 as amended by Chapter 155 of the Resolves of 1905 relating to Industrial exhibits of the Maine State Agricultural Society," and that it ought to pass.

Per Order,

HOWES,
IRVING,
HILL,
COUSINS,
MILLETT,
SNOW,
STACKPOLE,
BEMIS.

For the Committee.

NEW DRAFT.

STATE OF MAINE.

MINORITY REPORT.

RESOLVE, to amend Chapter one hundred ninety-four of the Resolves of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, as amended by Chapter one hundred fifty-five of the Resolves of nineteen hundred and five, relating to Industrial Exhibits of the Maine State Agricultural Society.

Resolved, That Chapter one hundred ninety-four of the
2 Resolves of eighteen hundred and ninety-three, as amended
3 by Chapter one hundred fifty-five of the Resolves of nine-
4 teen hundred and five, be and is hereby amended by adding
5 the word 'annually' after the word "appropriated," in the
6 second line of said chapter; by striking out the words "from
7 the State treasury" in the eighth and ninth lines; and by
8 striking out all after the word "purposes" in the tenth line;
9 so that said chapter as amended shall read as follows:

'Resolved, That the sum of one thousand five hundred dol-
11 lars be and hereby is appropriated annually to the Maine
12 State Agricultural Society in addition to the sum heretofore
13 appropriated for the purpose of encouraging the exhibition

14 of the industrial products of Maine, as well as increasing
15 the premiums in stock and agricultural classes, and also to
16 provide further for pomological exhibits, apples, pears,
17 plums, grapes and canned goods; and said society may draw
18 said appropriation upon its voucher that such amount has
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STATE OF MAINE.

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Per Order,

F. N. BLANCHARD,

T. B. W. STETSON.

For the Committee.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE,

March 25, 1909.

Majority and minority reports, Committee on Agriculture, each submitting new draft of resolve, tabled for printing pending acceptance of either report and assigned to Tuesday, March 30, on motion by Mr. IRVING of Aroostook.

F. G. FARRINGTON, *Secretary*.